

State of Utah

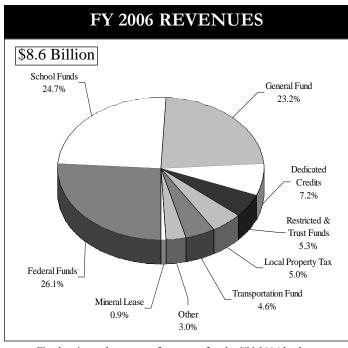
## **Budget Recommendations**

Fiscal Year 2006, Fiscal Year 2005 Supplementals

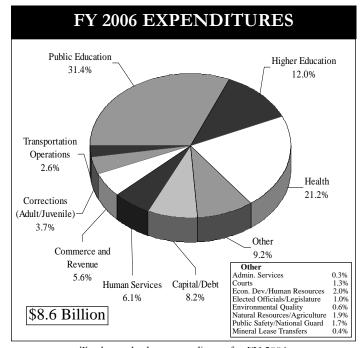


Governor Olene S. Walker

# FY 2006 Budget Overview



Total estimated sources of revenue for the FY 2006 budget



Total state budget expenditures for FY 2006 from all sources of funding

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

$\overline{V}$	EDUCATION	
	WPU Increase (5.0% increase)	\$78.6m
	Enrollment Growth	\$33.8m
	Performance Plus II - Math Program	\$16.0m
	Utah Basic Skills & Competency Tests (UBSCT)	A
	Remediation	\$6.5m
	Engineering Initiative	\$2.5m
	Nursing Initiative	\$2.0m
	National Guard Tuition Assistance	\$0.5m
lacksquare	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	
	DCED - Utah Defense Alliance	\$5.0m
	Industrial Assistance Fund	\$4.4m
	Centers for Excellence	\$1.0m
	Smart Sites	\$0.1m
$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	QUALITY OF LIFE	
	Medicaid Program Growth and Inflation	\$35.3m
	Services for People with Disabilities Waiting List	<b>*</b>
	(includes federal match)	\$6.6m
	LeRay McAllister Critical Land Conservation Fund	\$4.0m
	High-Level Nuclear Waste Opposition	\$2.1m
	Watershed Management Veterans' Outreach	\$0.2m
	veterans Outreach	\$0.1m
$\checkmark$	Public Safety/Crime	
	Corrections Inmate Growth	\$10.2m
	Drug Offender Reform Act (DORA)	\$6.3m
	26 Forensic Beds at State Hospital	\$2.1m
	Utah Wireless Integrated Network (UWIN)	<b>\$</b> 0.0
	Maintenance	\$0.8m
	FISCAL PRUDENCE	
	Cash Fund Buildings	\$100.0m
	Rebuild Rainy Day Fund	\$72.0m
	Buildings Alterations, Repairs, & Improvements (AR&I) at 1.1% (includes Transportation Fund)	\$53.6m
	OTHER	
	State Employee Compensation Package	\$38.8m
	Bonding:	
	Highways	\$70.0m
	Capitol Restoration (authorize \$135m)	\$50.0m
	New State Buildings	\$19.0m



### GOVERNOR WALKER'S BUDGET PRINCIPLES

Governor Walker's budget recommendations reflect the lessons she has learned through her extensive career in public service. She leaves behind a legacy of fiscal prudence and foresight.

The following are the lessons she has learned, and the principles she leaves for others to follow.



#### STRUCTURAL BALANCE

Ongoing revenues must match ongoing expenditures. This structural balance provides the foundation of a sound budget.



#### **DEBT MANAGEMENT**

Prudent debt management is a hallmark of the state.

- A portion of all capital expenditures should be funded with cash rather than debt.
- The state must rebuild the Rainy Day Fund to protect against future economic downturns.
- Debt amortization should remain short in light of the state's increasing debt levels.



## No Earmarking of Revenue

Taxes should not be earmarked for specific programs. The governor and the legislature need maximum flexibility when developing the state's budget and establishing spending priorities. Additionally, this helps ensure priority programs are funded.



#### TAX POLICY

The state's income tax and sales tax bases are declining. A new tax structure is needed to increase the stability of the revenue stream. To accomplish this, the tax base should be broadened and the rate lowered.



#### PREPARING FOR TOMORROW

The decisions made today not only affect us now, but also impact the future. We must maintain a long-term perspective and govern not just for today.